

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend page 2, last paragraph (continuing to page 3) as follows:

There is an increasing need for miniaturizing the DC-DC converter. To miniaturize the DC-DC converter, it is effective to miniaturize parts such as coils and capacitors. In order to miniaturize coils and capacitors, the switching frequency must be increased. However, increasing the switching frequency also increases switching losses and the heat release value. This necessitates a radiator plate and the like, resulting in unsuccessful miniaturization. Accordingly, it is important for miniaturization of the DC-DC converter to decrease switching losses and increase the switching frequency. For this purpose, the inventors made detailed examination of [[poser]] power losses in the DC-DC converter in FIG. 17.